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MELVIN N. KAKU  
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January 5, 2007

The Honorable Romy M. Cachola  
Councilmember  
Honolulu City Council  
530 South King Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Councilmember Cachola:

Subject: Salt Lake Boulevard Alignment

Thank you for your letter of December 27, 2006, that requested DTS to consider the Salt Lake Boulevard alignment for the fixed guideway system.

We will consider and carefully evaluate the Salt Lake Boulevard alignment in terms of the various transit planning factors that would determine the future success of an alignment. While community support is a consideration in our evaluation, there are many other issues that need to be considered.

Sincerely,

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Melvin N. Kaku  
Director

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Wayne M. Hashiro, P. E.  
Managing Director

cc: Department of Planning and  
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**Issue - Created by aalejo on Thursday, December 28, 2006 (Mayor)**

Sub System: RISR

Date Received: 12/28/2006

Correspondence  
Date: 12/28/2006

Category: REQUEST

Source Agency: City Council District 7 (Romy Cachola)

Source Person: Baker, Ruth

Subject: Salt Lake Boulevard Alignment

Description: Request your positive consideration for the Salt Lake Boulevard alignment.

Issue Priority: Normal

☒ Allow Due Date Extension ☐ Critical

Due Date: 1/9/2007

Original Due  
Date: 1/9/2007Attachments: Name  
Salt Lake Boulevard Alignment.pdf**Tasks**

Closed	Assigned From	Action Requested/Task Description	Due Date
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mayor	Direct reply via Managing Director	1/9/2007
12/29/2006 08:15	dtstreceptionist (DTS)	Assigned to Ballesteros, Mercy(mballesteros DTS)	
12/29/2006 08:15	dtstreceptionist (DTS)	Assigned to Chang, Deanna(dchang DTS)	
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**ROMY M. CACHOLA**  
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December 28, 2006

Mr. Melvin Kaku, Director  
Department of Transportation Services  
650 South King Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Honolulu, HI 96813

  
Dear Director Kaku:

Re: Salt Lake Boulevard Alignment

I respectfully request your positive consideration for the Salt Lake Boulevard alignment given the strong response received from the community. In addition to the unanimous support of the Aliamanu/Salt Lake/Foster Village Neighborhood Board No. 18, the residents along Salt Lake Boulevard have strongly expressed their support for the Salt Lake Boulevard alignment through letters, e-mails and phone calls.

Therefore, I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of the expressions of support for the Salt Lake Boulevard alignment that I have received so far. After the Mayor made his statement that residents of Salt Lake should express their preference of alignment and the subsequent letter Senator Norman Sakamoto sent out to the residents, I am in receipt of 122 responses to date, which are as follows: 117 responded yes to the Salt Lake Boulevard alignment, 3 preferred the Airport alignment, 1 said no fixed guideway and one left blank.

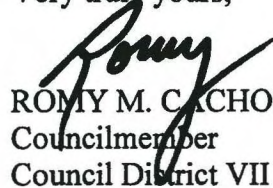
Additionally, Senator Sakamoto submitted written testimony (see enclosure) stating that the "residents and members of the Neighborhood Board have responded mightily in strong support for the Salt Lake route..." Senator Donna Mercado Kim also provided written testimony (see enclosure) stating that she believes "that the route of the rail transit line should include both Salt Lake and the airport. To leave either one out would be a disservice to the community." She added that "the transit line will provide a huge benefit to a high density corridor of housing and condominium units within the Salt Lake area and tap a lucrative pool of potential rail transit users."

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Please be aware that the expressions of support for the Salt Lake Boulevard alignment are still coming in. They will be placed on the Council's Docushare website for your review. Please also place the Salt Lake Neighborhood Board and me on your mailing list for the scoping process.

Best wishes to you and your family for a happy, safe, and prosperous 2007. My warmest mahalo and aloha.

Very truly yours,



ROMY M. C. ACHOLA  
Councilmember  
Council District VII

Enclosure

cc: Mayor Mufi Hannemann  
Senator Norman Sakamoto  
Senator Donna Mercado Kim  
Representative Glenn Wakai  
Representative Lynn Finnegan  
Mr. Grant Tanimoto, Chair  
Aliamanu/Salt Lake/Foster Village Neighborhood Board No. 18



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December 22, 2006

Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
Honolulu City Council  
City and County of Honolulu  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair:

I am Senator Norman Sakamoto, representing the 15<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District, which includes Salt Lake, Aliamanu, Foster Village, and other areas. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in strong support for Bill 79 (2006), CD2, FD1 relating to the selection of the locally preferred alternative.

Mayor Hannemann in a news article indicated that the residents of Salt Lake need to come forward to express their feelings if they want the transit system to traverse through the Salt Lake area. Indeed, Mr. Chair, the residents and members of the Neighborhood Board have responded mightily in strong support for the Salt Lake route through various communications to the Mayor, Councilmember Cachola, and to my office.

Suffice for me to reiterate that the Salt Lake area is made up of large number of residents in densely populated houses and condominiums, who would contribute immensely to rider ship in the transit system. At the same time, traffic conditions in an already gridlocked freeway and roadways will be greatly alleviated.

Thank you for listening to the voices and pleas from the residents of Salt Lake.

Sincerely,

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Norman Sakamoto, Chair  
Senate Committee on Education  
Senator 15<sup>th</sup> District

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HONOLULU, HAWAII

The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
and Members of the City Council  
Honolulu Hale  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chairman Dela Cruz and Members of the Council:

RE: Testimony in support of Bill 79 (2006), CD2 FD1 relating to the selection of the locally preferred alternative.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony on bill 79 (2006), CD2, FD1 relating to the selection of the locally preferred alternative.

Mr. Chair, as the former Councilmember of the Salt Lake/Airport area, I believe that the route of the rail transit line should include both Salt Lake and the airport. To leave either one out would be a disservice to the community. Having rail access to the airport will do much in alleviating traffic congestion in and around the Nimitz area while providing a much needed service. Similarly, the transit line will provide a huge benefit to a high density corridor of housing and condominium units within the Salt Lake area and tap a lucrative pool of potential rail transit users. You will not need to build a park and ride in this community.

I urge you to work with the military and our Congressional delegation to get the cooperation needed to get this rail line to include both Salt Lake and the Airport. If we can put a man on the moon, surely we can do this.

Sincerely,

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Donna Mercado Kim  
State Senator, 14<sup>th</sup> District

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